



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2015**

Board Members in Attendance:

Sabino “Pio” Renteria, Chair
Ann Kitchen, Vice Chair
Gregorio Casar
Sheri Gallo

CALL TO ORDER

The Council Housing and Community Development Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Renteria called the Committee Meeting to order at 3:11 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes

The November 18, 2015 minutes were approved on Council Member Gallo’s motion, Council Member Kitchen’s second, by a 4-0 vote.

2. Citizen Communication: General

Stuart Hersh spoke on the upcoming City Council consideration of Short Term Rentals. Mandy DeMayo, HousingWorks Austin, and Sunshine Mathon, Foundation Communities, spoke on the impacts the new drainage fee schedule will have on affordable housing providers.

5. Consider agenda items for next regular meeting.

Council members discussed the drainage fee impacts on affordable housing providers.

3. Consider a draft ordinance that would establish a Homestead Preservation District Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone in District A.

Greg Canally, Finance Department, discussed a draft ordinance provided by the Finance Department.

Stuart Hersh spoke on the item.

The Committee considered and voted on three motions provided by Council Member Casar. On Council Member Casar’s motion and Council Member Renteria’s second, the Committee approved a measure to recommend to Council that the City increase the percentage of tax revenue dedicated to affordable housing from previously-owned City of Austin public land from 40% to 100%, and dedicate two-thirds of the increase toward affordable housing in homestead preservation districts and

one-third of the increase toward affordable housing in high opportunity areas, on a 3-1 vote with Council Member Gallo opposing.

On Council Member Casar's motion and Council Member Renteria's second, the Committee approved a measure to recommend that Council establish a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone in Homestead Preservation District A and set the recapture rate at 10% for 10 years, and simultaneously recommend the potential modification of the City's financial policies to consider the percentage of captured value in a TIF/TIRZ rather than considering only the total value in a TIF/TIRZ, on a 4-0 vote.

On Council Member Casar's motion and Council Member Kitchen's second, the Committee approved a measure to recommend that Council stipulate that funds used in Homestead Preservation Districts should be spent strategically in gentrified areas, gentrifying areas, and areas expected to gentrify, and further stipulate that funds should not be utilized in areas where concentrated poverty is expected to persist, on a 4-0 vote.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the Housing and Community Development Committee schedule for calendar year 2016.

On Council Member Casar's motion and Council Member Kitchen's second, the Committee approved the proposed Housing and Community Development Committee meeting schedule for 2016, amending the usual start time to 2:00 p.m. The schedule was approved on a 4-0 vote.

5. Consider agenda items for next regular meeting.

Council members discussed potential future agenda items.

ADJOURN

Chair Renteria adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 10th day of February 2016, on Council Member Casar's motion, Council Member Kitchen's second, on a 4-0 vote.

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